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Applicant: A. UMEMOTO et al. Conf.: 7879
Appl. No.: 09/504,438 Group: 2654
Filed: February 15, 2000 Examiner: D. KNEPPER
For: INFORMATION SELECTION APPARATUS
SELECTING DESIRED INFORMATION FROM
PLURALITY OF AUDIO INFORMATION BY
MAINLY USING AUDIO

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REQUEST FOR PERSONAL INTERVIEW

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September 25, 2003

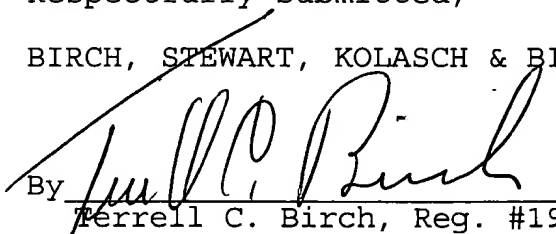
Sir:


This Request for Personal Interview is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination. In order to further prosecution in the present application, Applicants respectfully request an Interview. Prior to issuing a first Office Action in this matter, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicants' representative, Catherine M. Voisinet (Reg. No. 52,327) at telephone number (703-208-4005) in order to discuss the outstanding rejections.

Respectfully submitted,

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Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

Application No.: 09/504,438

First Named Applicant: A. UMEMOTO et al.

Examiner: Knepper

Art Unit: 2654

Status of Application:

Tentative Participants:

(1) Catherine Voisinnet

(2) David Knepper

(3)

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Proposed Date of Interview: 1/07/04

Proposed Time: 2:00 p.m.

Type of Interview Requested:(1) ☐ Telephonic(2) ☒ Personal(3) ☐ Video ConferenceExhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ YES ☒ NO

If yes, provide brief description:

Issues To Be Discussed

Issues (Re: Obj. etc.)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1) 35 U.S.C. § 103	1, 9-11, 16, 18-19, 27-29	<i>Kobayashi</i>	—	—	—

☐ Continuation Sheet Attached**Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:**

Kobayashi fails to teach "storing an association between each of a plurality of information and at least one sound..." as recited in claims 1 and 9-10; fails to teach "...sequentially switching the plurality of information." as recited in claims 11, 16, and 18; fails to teach "...an information presentation apparatus wherein the modified presentation status includes one of a status of presenting simultaneously a plurality of sound information with the presentation position altered as recited in claim 19; and fails to teach "...modifying a presentation status according to a property of the audio information to be presented..." as recited in claim 27-28.

An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on**NOTE:**

This form should be completed by applicant and submitted to the examiner in advance of the interview (see MPEP § 713.01).

This application will not be delayed from issue because of applicant's failure to submit a written record of this interview. Therefore, applicant is advised to file a statement of the substance of this interview (37 CFR 1.133(b)) as soon as possible.

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature)_____
(Examiner/SPE Signature)